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Sitewide Treatability Studies

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Reference:

- (1) Letter M. Hestmark (EPA) to S. Grace (RFO), dated 10/22/91
- (2) Letter M. Hestmark (EPA) to F. Lockhart (RFO), dated 5/19/92, subject: Annual Report for Treatability Studies at Rocky Flats Plant FY91.
- (3) Memorandum E. Lee (EG&G) to T. Vaeth (RFO), 92-RF-9958, dated 8/30/92, subject: Summary of Meetings on the Annual Report on Treatability Studies Program - EML-0594-92.

To date we have conducted no treatability studies under the Sitewide Treatability Study Program due to various reasons. The EPA letter referenced above states that we are expected to:

> "...have performed a minimum of five studies for ground water and surface water contamination and eight studies for soil and sediments contamination prior to the second annual report due date."

This is not what the October 22, 1991 EPA letter said. We committed to perform the thirteen tests over the life of the sitewide program. A response to the EPA letter needs to be prepared to address the issues associated with (1) the number of testing in the 1993 Annual Report and (2) the delays associated with not performing any tests to date under the sitewide program.

A meeting was held with EPA/CDH on June 12, 1992 where some of the delay issues were discussed, as well as the various treatability testing being performed under the sitewide and other programs. The delay issues that need to be addressed include: budget/funding, 881 laboratory problems, procurement/acquisition delays, EPA/CDH review delays, schedules, and the October 22, 1992 EPA letter saying that we need to do 13 studies but not when. Also, in your response, we need a status of the projects discussed in the June 12 meeting.

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Your response is requested no later than November 13, 1992. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Grace at extension 7199.

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